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**Sent:** 10/20/2020 5:17:37 PM  
**To:** Opalski, Dan [Opalski.Dan@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Follow up inquiry [from Rep. Blumenauer's office]  
**Attachments:** State of Oregon Response to EPA - LUGWMA v08182020 sent Aug 24 2020.pdf; DWSP\_EPA\_Letter\_Final 09302020.pdf

Dan – FYI on LUB GWMA.

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**From:** Martinson, Mathew  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 10:17 AM  
**To:** Schuster, Cindy <Schuster.Cindy@epa.gov>; Kenknight, Jeff <Kenknight.Jeff@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Contreras, Peter <Contreras.Peter@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Follow up inquiry [from Rep. Blumenauer's office]

Cindy –

Attached are two responses we have received from the State.

I would offer, for context, that the same individuals that we have been working with on the LUB GWMA issue have had some of their attention and energy diverted to the Oregon wildfire response and recovery, and were already working on COVID19. Additionally, EPA has devoted considerable energy and focus to the wildfire response and recovery over the past 30-days. We plan to follow-up on the two attached letters, but are mindful and sensitive to the State's capacity in the described context.

Since the LUB GWMA correspondence has been ECAD-led (i.e. Lauris Davies signed the July 2020 letter and is the addressee for the August 24 response), I recommend you hold for Jeff's concurrence with my thoughts here.

Thanks,  
Mat

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**From:** Schuster, Cindy <Schuster.Cindy@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 19, 2020 12:19 PM  
**To:** Kenknight, Jeff <Kenknight.Jeff@epa.gov>; Martinson, Mathew <martinson.mathew@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Schuster, Cindy <Schuster.Cindy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Follow up inquiry [from Rep. Blumenauer's office]

Hi Jeff and Mat,

Below is an inquiry from Congressman Blumenauer's office about nitrate contamination in the Lower Umatilla Basin. Can we provide an update on any state response?

--Cindy

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**From:** Brumfield, Liv <[Liv.Brumfield@mail.house.gov](mailto:Liv.Brumfield@mail.house.gov)>

**Sent:** Monday, October 19, 2020 11:52 AM

**To:** Schuster, Cindy <[Schuster.Cindy@epa.gov](mailto:Schuster.Cindy@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Follow up inquiry

Hi Cindy,

I'm following up on the attached letter which you shared with me a couple months ago. Has there been follow up from the state on this issue?

Thank you,  
Liv.

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